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SUBJ: BANGLADESH FOODGRAIN SITUATION

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1. IN ATTEMPT TO FIND ANSWER TO QUESTIONS IN REFTEL, MISOFF SPOKE TO UNROB/NY. UNROB DID NOT HAVE SPECIFIC INFORMATION THAT COULD CLARIFY THE DISCREPANCIES AND UNDERTAINITIES POINTED OUT IN PARA 1, 2, 3 AND 6 OF REFTEL.

2. IN REGARD TO QUESTION OF NEPALESE GRAIN (PARA 4 REFTEL) FOOD MINISTER OF BANGLADESH SIGNED AN AGREEMENT IN KATHMANDU LAST WEEK FOR 10,000 TONS OF RICE AND NEGOTIATIONS ARE CONTINUING FOR 15,000 TONS MORE.

3. IN REGAFD TO QUESTIONS IN PARA 5 REFTEL, UNROB IS STILL UNCERTAIN OF EXACT DATE FOR ARRIVAL OF AUSTRALIAN WHEAT BUT THEY ARE WORKING ON THE ASSUMPTION THIS WHEAT

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WILL NOT BE IN BANGLADESH BEFORE NEXT APRIL. UNROB

CONTACTED JAPANESE MISSION IN NY AND HAS BEEN TOLD THAT
MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF RICE THAT CAN ARRIVE FROM JAPAN
BEFORE DEC 30 IS 50,000 TONS AND THAT IT IS PROBABLE
THAT THE BULK OF THE ARRIVALS WILL BE AT THE END OF THE
YEAR.

4. JULY 1 STATEMENT ON FOODGRAIN ARRIVALS PREPARED BY
UNROB/DACCA BEING POUCHED TO AID/ASIA/SA, E. PLOCH.
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